

# The Northwest Missourian

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## Events of the Coming Week

### Famed Pasquier String Trio Here For Concerts Two Days This Week

Formal Appearance Wednesday Night;  
Play at Class Meetings Yesterday

Friday, February 17  
ess Meeting. The staff of The Northwest Missourian will meet at 4 o'clock this afternoon in Social Hall. All members of the staff are invited to attend and a special invitation is extended to all students who wish to contribute to the paper. The Bearcats will make final basketball stand-off against the strong Springfielders at 8 o'clock tonight on the court. The "M" Club will stage annual dance from 9:30 until 12 o'clock tonight in the College West Hall.

Saturday, February 18  
upper-Dance. The Varsity V.I.P.s, organization of women residents of the campus, will hold a bazaar dance from 7:30 until 12 o'clock this evening in Social and Recreation Halls.

Sunday, February 19  
Sunday Lecture, "Crime and Community Responsibility" will be subject for the lecture by Dr. Myking Mehus at 4 o'clock this noon at Residence Hall.

Monday, February 20  
ligious Emphasis Week. This will begin at 9 o'clock this morning at the regular College assembly in the auditorium. Dr. Bradford S. Abernethy, pastor of the Baptist church in Columbia, will be the speaker. He is minister who delivered the baccalaureate address at the College spring.

A luncheon for Dr. Abernethy and Dr. Thorton Merriam, director of the Board of Religious Education at Northwestern University, will be given by the student faculty committee on Religious Emphasis Week at 12:15 o'clock this noon at Phares Tea Room.

Tuesday, February 21  
pecial Assembly. A special Religious Emphasis Week assembly will be held at 10 o'clock in the College auditorium.

Wednesday, February 22  
pecial Assembly. A special Religious Emphasis Week assembly will be held at 11 o'clock this morning in the College auditorium.

Thursday, February 23  
eting. The College committee recommendations will meet with students who intend to enter the teaching field next year at 5 o'clock afternoon in the auditorium.

Twenty Nine Have  
eserved Places  
or August Tour  
Will See World's  
Fair as Part of  
Two Week's Trip

by Ferguson, in charge of reservations for the trip to the New York World's Fair on August 4-15, announced today that twenty-nine students have made reservations with him to make the trip. Both the Maryville and Kirksville Teachers Colleges are cooperating to provide bus to the Fair for persons in southwest and northeast Missouri. Reservations are being made through Mr. Ferguson at the charge of \$1.00 for each reservation, which is added to the total cost of the tour, which is approximately \$100. Those who have made reservations include Clarence Wehrli, Maitland; Canady, Conception Junction; Roy Fisher, Maryville; Wayne Ford, Donald, Wash.; Margaret Miller, Langdon; Mary Frances Grant City; Laura Gable, Maysville, Ia.; Edna Ridge, Blockton; Flossie Winemiller, Sherridan; Frances Carmean, Langdon; Virginia Myers, Silver City, Ia.; George S. Wayman, Albany; George Cromer, McFall; Marle Larson, Maysville, Ia.; Ruth Ward, Bethany; Tomlin, Hamilton; Elvira M. Scott, Paonia, Colo.; Call Powell, Maysville; Mary Seal, Denver; Florida Seal, Gower; Elizabeth Charter Oak, Ia.; Laura Langs, Charter Oak, Ia.; Fern Kellerton, Ia.; Moore, Ridgeway; Eula Marie Larson, Laredo; Elizabeth Webb, Bethany; Martha Kent, Bethany; George Scott, Bethany and Kathryn Romans, North Loup, Neb.

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NAL FROM SHEPHERD

bers of the senior class may copy of the NEA Journal. Miss Grace M. Shepherd, announced here this week.

according to an announcement made yesterday by President Uel W. Lamkin.

Mr. Williams will speak at a meeting of the Knights of the Hickory Stick that evening. Complete arrangements have not yet been made as yet, but will be announced later.

The N. Y. A. head was formerly the assistant to Harry Hopkins as director of F. E. R. A.

French and Kious  
Will See Europe

Frederic French and R. E. Kious, graduates of the College last spring, are planning a trip to Europe next summer. French is teaching at the Spickard high school and Kious is teaching in the High School at Princeton. Kious was a tackle on the Bearcat football squad while in College.

Ruth Pfander Undergoes  
Appendectomy at Hospital

Ruth Pfander, Maryville, a freshman in the College, will be returned to her home on West Fourth street the latter part of this week after she had undergone an appendectomy at the College, will be a guest speaker at a meeting of the Men's Club of St. Joseph on Friday, February 24. He will speak on "The German-Jewish Situation."

### Man's Thinking May Destroy Him Mr. Colbert Says

Devices of Evil  
And Happiness  
Both From Minds

If one starts with certain truths, which are postulates, then he may deduce other postulates from them. Thus Mr. George H. Colbert, professor of mathematics at the College, defined mathematical thinking, in the second of a series of February Lectures being given each Sunday afternoon at Residence Hall.

By that kind of thinking, Mr. Colbert contended, man has made so many marvelous machines to give him a greater happiness, but at the same time he has used that same thinking power to concoct devices of torture and pain. "Will he go on until he has destroyed the world?" he asked.

**Cannot Define Difference**  
"When we think deep enough we have to postulate God," Mr. Colbert declared, in his lecture entitled "Man, and the Infinite in Mathematics."

Mr. Colbert explained that so far science had not been able to define exactly what makes man different from other animals. Plato was of the conclusion that man was the mind. To illustrate this, he pointed out that a man playing on a violin is different from the violin, and in playing the violin the man uses his whole body which is controlled by the mind.

The soul of man is indefinable, he continued, but the mind alone does not control the body, as the glands aid in this respect. Out of this has come the science of behaviorism.

In early life the Greeks had no concept of limitations, Mr. Colbert added. Therefore they could not arrive at any conclusions. This brought about a static condition in mathematics which existed for 2,000 years. This situation was not remedied until Newton devised his theory of limits or calculus. Mr. Colbert explained that calculus is said to be the most powerful tool ever invented by the thought of man to assist in the progress of man. Some results are the radio, automobile and television.

**Daily Poster Exhibit**  
In addition to this posture clinic, there will be a daily poster exhibit by eleven students of the College conservatory of music in the auditorium Tuesday evening. Miss Alline Fentress of the music department was in charge of arrangements for a tea which was given following the recital.

Mr. Paschal Monk, head of the music department, said yesterday he was very gratified at the number of College students who attended the program.

Those on the program were Ross Lee Roark, Billy Paul Wells, Martha Sue Zimmerman, Billy Charles Wallace, Jack Cook, Ruth McDowell, all of Maryville; Catherine Needles, Parnell; Allene Congdon, Clarinda, Ia.; Earl Boucher, Jr., Kansas City; Marjorie White, Hopkins, and Belle Ward, Bethany.

They were the pupils of Miss Catharine Dando, voice instructor; Miss Marian Keeler, piano instructor; Miss Alline Fentress, violin instructor, and Mr. J. W. Geiger, instructor of band and wind instruments.

### IRC Will Send 25 to Conference

Wayne Crawford, president of the International Relations Club, announced this week that the organization is planning to send as many as twenty-five College delegates to the International Relations Conference at Omaha, Neb., March 17-18. Mr. Crawford explained that the costs of attending the conference, including fare in the College bus, room and board, and registration fees, would be approximately \$5. Those who care to be a delegate should contact Avon Reeves.

**Sterling Surrey to  
Talk at St. Joseph**

Mr. Sterling Surrey, assistant director of personnel for men and member of the commerce department at the College, will be a guest speaker at a meeting of the Men's Club of St. Joseph on Friday, February 24. He will speak on "The German-Jewish Situation."

### Juniors Favor Retaining New Grading System

Do Not Believe  
New System Shows  
Differentiation

The new grading system, that of Honor, Pass, and With-held, should be extended to all classes in the College, even though it is the strong belief that this grading system does not give a fair differentiation of students' progress and accomplishments in a course.

This information was learned from a recent Junior poll conducted by the Northwest Missourian. The Junior class was selected because it is the only class in College which has felt the full effects of the first two years under new system grading, and then fall under the old system, that of E, S, M, I, F, during the Junior year.

#### Not Explicit Enough

It was significant that 71.5 per cent of the Juniors did not believe the new system was fair in differentiation of student progress, but 57 per cent stated they liked the new system and the same percentage favored extending the new system to all courses.

However, providing the new system were abandoned, 67.8 per cent of the Juniors would favor retaining the new system for the General Courses. As one Junior expressed his views on this question: "General courses are not fair, therefore the new system should be used in grading them."

A large number of students interviewed felt that there should be more differentiation shown by an instructor toward the students work, because, as one student said, "the student should know the instructors' viewpoint." "The new system does not give differentiation between an I and an S student," another declared.

#### Working for Grades

According to one student, he does not like the new system "because a student will have a tendency to work for an E, S, or M grade, where he will not work for an H, P, or W."

Other comments, however, were favorable to the new system, such as one stated, "it helps the weaker student" and it "stops working for grades only."

Also in connection with the comments made by the instructors on records kept by the registrar, one student stated that the College students "should be allowed to see these comments if he so desired." In this regard another said "If this system continues, let us know what we're doing."

### Twenty Men Make Gospel Team Trip

Twenty College men went in the College bus last Sunday on the Gospel Team trip to Skidmore and Albany where religious services were given at the Methodist churches at both towns. William Evans, Sheridan and Virgil Elliot, Barnard, were the speakers.

Also on the program were Andrew Johnson, Camden; Bob Dunham, Bethany; Donald Hepburn, Hopkins; Leland Hamilton, Bedford, Ia., and Erdley Beauchamp, Grant City.

Others making the trip included Wilmer Allison, Hopkins; Harold Johnson, Independence; Francis Stubbs, Amazonia; Wallace Oursler, Maryville; Benjamin E. Evans, St. James; Paul E. Smith, Colony, Kan.; Robert Wilson, Cabool; Layte Imler, Eldon; Avon Reeves, Craig; C. M. Findley, Albany; Gerald Hunt, Ravewood, and John Carl Dunlap, Fairfax. Ted Adkins, College mechanic, was driver of the bus.

### Dr. Mehus to Give February Lecture

The third of the series of 1939 February Lectures will be given at 4 o'clock next Sunday afternoon, February 19, at Residence Hall by Dr. O. Myking Mehus, professor of sociology. Doctor Mehus' lecture will be entitled "Crime, Community Responsibility." All students, faculty, and townspeople are welcome.

### W. Brown Loses Home in Fire

Walter Brown, senior in the College, was one of the twelve persons living in the apartments over the Western Auto Supply which was destroyed by fire Wednesday night. Walter was not at home, however at the time of the fire. The blaze also destroyed the Maryville Type-Writer Exchange and the Meek Advertising Agency.

### Father of Mr. L. Somerville Dies

Mr. Leslie G. Somerville of the College education department, Mrs. Somerville, and son, Leslie, who is a freshman in College, went to Jamestown Tuesday to attend the funeral of Mr. Somerville's father, Mr. O. B. Somerville, who was seventy-seven years of age and who died Monday morning following an illness of five weeks.

### Religious Emphasis Week Will Get Under Way Monday Morning at Nine; Assembly Will Open 3-Day Conclave

Rev. B. S. Abernethy and Dr. Thorton W. Merriam Will be in Charge of Events; Daily Seminars Arranged for Everyone

Religion will dominate the days of February 20-22 when Rev. B. S. Abernethy, minister of the First Baptist church of Columbia, and Dr. Thorton W. Merriam, director of the University Board of Religion, Northwestern University, Evanston, Ill., will jointly preside over the College activity. Reverend Abernethy will be the guest speaker of the assembly programs while Dr. Merriam will be in charge of the seminars held throughout the week.

On Monday there will be a regular assembly at 9 o'clock with the following students of the Student Senate participating: Iris Ebersole representing the Alpha Sigma Alpha sorority, Helen Estep, Varsity Villagers Council, and International Relations Club; Bill Evans, Y. M. C. A.; William Hutchinson, O'Neillians, and Book Club; Lois Langland, Writers Club; Virginia Milliken, Sigma Sigma Sigma; Ruth Morrow, Residence Hall council; Richard Shrout, Student Senate; Paul Stroh, Newman Club, and Northwest Missourian staff; Frank Strong, Alpha Phi Omega, and Phi Sigma Epsilon; Henry Turner, Sigma Tau Gamma, and Social Science Club; and Lurline Stevens, Y. W. C. A.

**DR. BRADFORD S. ABERNETHY,** of Columbia, who will conduct Religious Emphasis Week next week.

### Teachers For Next Year Asked To Meet Feb. 23

### Committee on Recommendations To Aid Students

A meeting of all persons who wish to enroll with the College Committee on Recommendations, will be held at 5 o'clock next Thursday afternoon, February 23, in the auditorium, according to an official announcement made today by Mr. H. T. Phillips, chairman.

The meeting is for all students who wish the College committee to assist them in getting teaching positions for the next year. The meeting is held every spring, and it is important that those who are interested attend this meeting.

The purpose of the meeting will be to explain the ethics of applying for teaching positions, and to offer suggestions on how to improve appearance, interviews with high school superintendents and boards of education, and how to hold a job.

The Committee on Recommendations acts as an agency to help students who are interested in the teaching profession, to learn the correct methods used in getting a teaching position. The committee is composed of Mr. Phillips, chairman; Dr. O. Myking Mehus, sociological department, and Mr. A. H. (Bert) Cooper, extension department.

### Freshmen Win WAA Basketball Tourney 30 to 14

Last night on the College gymnasium court the green clad Freshmen defeated the senior women in a basketball game demonstration for the public as the Women's Athletic Association exhibited the finals of the interclass tournament. The first-year women won by a score of 30-14. The game was played between the Freshman A team and the Senior team, both of which had emerged victorious through the previous rounds of the tournament which has been under way for the past two weeks.

The senior team is composed of Marjorie Farmer, Cambria, Ia.; Virginia Gibson, St. Joseph; Lucille Nelson, Hatfield, forwards; Mary Jo McGee, Harris; Unity Hixson, Creston, Ia.; and Emma Lee Vance, Smithville, guards. The personnel of the Freshman A is: Phyllis Chapman, Northboro, Ia.; Jeanne Berry, Braddyville, Ia.; Irene James, Lock Springs, forwards; Vida Bernau, Earlham, Ia.; Helen Crouch, King City; Coleen Hubatt, Maitland, guards. Gibson and Bernau are captains of their respective teams.

Farmer, senior, was high scorer with ten points, but she was followed closely by Chapman who accounted for nine. Marianne Obermiller and Virginia Ramsay officiated. Details next week.

Dr. Margaret Ruth Smith, director of personnel for women, will lead a discussion on "The Correlation of Personal Services," at a conference of the National Association of Deans of Women and the American College Personnel Association. This meeting will be February 21-25. Doctor Smith will leave for Cleveland Sunday.

### Five Faculty Members Will Attend Parley

### Several Plan To Leave Soon For Cleveland

Several members of the College faculty will leave soon for the conference to be held in connection with the American Association of School Administrators at Cleveland, Ohio, February 26 to March 6.

President Uel W. Lamkin, and Dr. J. W. Jones, dean of the faculty, will attend a meeting of the American Association of Teachers' Colleges. Miss Chloe E. Milliken, director of the College kindergarten and primary, will attend a general superintendents' meeting of the National Educational Association where she will appear in a panel discussion. Miss Mary Keith, supervisor of the fourth, fifth and sixth grades of the elementary school, will also be present at the meeting.

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## The Missourian Conducts Poll to Feel Out Student Sentiment on Grade System

Student polls have become so popular that we conducted our own poll which was prepared on the grading system which is being used here in the College. This system, as you may know, gives the grades of H, honors, P, pass, and W, withheld, in all courses numbered from 1 to 99 which are Freshman and Sophomore courses and the grades of E, S, M, I, for the courses numbered from 100 to 199 which are the Junior and Senior courses.

Although we realized that our poll was somewhat poorly constructed and not exactly complete when we tabulated the results, it confirmed our suspicions and the warnings of certain people who said that the poll wouldn't net us what we really expected. However, we received some quite interesting comments and the results somewhat justified the efforts we expended.

We interviewed about half of the Junior Class since they should have the best basis for judging on the assumption that, having spent their first two years of College under the HPW system and then this year returned to the old system of ESM.

The system in which HPW are the only marks given and in which the instructor can make comments about the student's work and ability in the course is, in a measure, similar to that which has been tried in certain selected schools in Kansas City school system. It seems that the same objective might fit both these examples of new grading procedure and this objective was expressed by the *Kansas City Star* in an editorial dated, December 3, last. The editorial stated that the new grading method was designed as "a real effort to put the pupil into competition with himself instead of others."

This idea of putting "the pupil into competition with himself" is certainly for the good of every student. As some of the students expressed themselves, the idea of working for grades is not the best idea and this HPW system endangers to help the student in this regard. The new system used in the Kansas City schools "is more trouble for the teacher," as is the system used here in the College. In the Kansas City system the teacher gives no grades whatever, merely indicating on the card to the parents by check marks whether the student is using his talents and ability well or just loafing.

The advantage of the systems, once the students learn how to adapt themselves and to get the most out of them, is that they "will prove to be a step toward a better sense of values." Of course, it is hard for the student, after spending twelve years of his schooling under the ESM grades, to change his attitude and viewpoint sufficiently to immediately adjust his work to the newer grading system. However, many of the students who contend that they do not like the new system fail to realize just what the objectives and the aims are of the HPW grades. The system is still too new for us to draw any really definite conclusions and it seems that after listening to many of the students, they have started into their work under the system with "a chip on their shoulder" and consequently have failed to derive the real benefit from it.

One of the notable ideas that we finally developed was that this new system, especially as it is being used now, really is working for the best interests of the individual student and that he just doesn't realize it. This is a professional college, a teacher-training institution, and for the first two years of curricular work the student is given a broad background and but little work towards his major field of interest. During these two years, when rather than trying to "make high grades in those subjects" of his major interest as one student expressed it, he can get this work as we think "liberal arts work" should be pursued, not for the hours of credit as much as for the material offered. Then for his Junior and Senior years of work which are concerned

## From the Dean . . .

One measure of success of teachers-in-service is their interest in the State Teachers Association. Members of our student body who are planning to enter the profession should acquaint themselves with the official publication of our state organization—SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY. The February issue has just come from the press. It contains articles of interest about the legislative activities in relation to teachers, an historical article on the Geyer Act passed just one hundred years ago, a description of Missouri's first high school, and several other articles of value. "The Place of Testing in Guidance" by Professor Martin of Kirksville, is worthy of attention. Mr. Ralph S. Harris of the Westport High School, Kansas City, has described the course in Psychology which was added to the curriculum of Kansas City High School in 1910. The course now carries the title "Psychology of Selling" and should be of interest to all Commerce majors.

Seniors are advised to spend a delightful hour with SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY each month. I am sure it will repay them and point the way to a broader understanding of the work of the public schools and the services of the State Association to the profession.

—J. W. Jones.

with professional training, the student has the opportunity of working under the old system of ESM and thus, if he so desires, he can "make high grades" and thus an outstanding record from the standpoint of semester hours. But since there is no Utopia of collegiate scholastic endeavor, the student is going to find that the best thing for him to do is to go to college to get the most out of his courses and from his work and then the grades will take care of themselves.—P. S.

## The Father of Our Country Was Great as a Gentleman

George Washington, whose birthday we celebrate next Wednesday, was as one writer expresses it, "an American soldier and statesman, first President of the United States, the greatest figure in America in the eighteenth century."

"General Washington is known to us as President Washington; but George Washington is an unknown man" and though this seems literally true, there are still numerous gems of thought that mark George Washington as a man to study and imitate. He was somewhat austere and aloof, but every inch a man and an American. There has been a great deal written on Washington and there are so many stories and traditions surrounding him that it is often difficult to get at the real man for "he was great as a soldier, equally great as a statesman, greater as a leader of men, but greatest of all merely as a man."

Washington early formed ideals and opinions that are of even greater worth and significance today than the day when he gave them birth. At the age of fifteen, he wrote his "Rules of Civility," as vital and pertinent today as then. The final of these Rules is "labor to keep alive in your breast that little spark of celestial fire called conscience."

But the man who deserved recognition as "first in war, first in peace, and first in the hearts of his countrymen" left in his Farewell Address, a piece of literature ranking with Lincoln's Gettysburg Address and which contained the thought that Abraham Lincoln would have had each and every citizen of these United States remember and believe: "Be American. Let there be no sectionalism, no North, South, East or West. . . In one word, be a nation; be Americans, and be true to yourselves."

## From Our Exchanges

I feel like the minister who announced one "warm" summer day, "If you don't raise my salary, you can ALL go to HELL." Being of modest nature, we don't claim that as our own, we imported it from the Colorado U. paper and before long we're going to export ourselves to Colorado where they have Rhythm Circus's, whatever they are and what kind of animals do they have in them, we hope; we want to get rhythm anyhoo.

Our cook thinks she's lawfully engaged when she's necking the cop.—Normal College News. (Wonder if any of the College girls get notions like that. We remember one who must have thought she was legally engaged because she was necking a lawyer.)

I stole a kiss the other night.  
My conscience hurt, alack!  
I guess I'll go again tonight  
And give the darned thing back.

—Silver and Gold.

Oh, we'd like to write an ode  
To the gal who has a code  
id her bed because she has  
Such a loss of razzle-dazzle  
That she oughta get a lock  
Stone to draw the lead  
Out of her pretty head  
So she can have a chance  
And we won't have to write stuff like this.



## Around the Campus

Late Again, Only this time later than ever in getting this copy in.

A rose or something to the Barkatze for the stunt they put on at the game last Monday night. They really did a nice job of it, and that is something we need here at the half of all the games. There is no need of all the attendees at the game to leave the gymnasium between halves, but they will unless there is something for them to watch. The Barkatze provided that something—with a bang the other night, and I've heard nothing but compliments on them ever since.

What I've just said about entertainment at the half of a basketball game will apply to something else too. It will apply just as much to dances as to basketball games. It is, or has been, a far too common practice for all the dancers to leave the dance at intermission and go someplace else. This doesn't look good, and chances are that they don't get back before time to swing out to the strains of "Home, Sweet, Home." A floor show, of campus talent, no matter how proficient, would induce the dancers to spend the short intermission in conversation and watching the performers instead of racing away uptown. Of course, I know, it's a temptation to want to show off that new formal and that but simply exquisite coiffure to more people than can be accustomed at the dance, but then, if it's as good as all that it will probably get around by word of mouth. Besides, a story gains descriptive adjectives in telling that wouldn't be applied in simply seeing.

Track fans are already planning big on the track season, and not to mention the baseball fans, but it begins to look more and more as if spring is really in the air over M. S. T. C. And not only sport news is in the air, but there is that subtle feeling of trepidation that heralds final examinations. The quarter ends in just a little over a week, now, and that means that most of us had better dust off those texts if we can find them, and sharpen the pencil for intensive cramming these last few precious days. There is no more horrible feeling in the world in my estimation than to await the hour of the final exam, and then to walk slowly and fearfully into the room with the certain feeling that you don't

know a darned thing about the course. They tell me there is just one way to avoid this feeling, and that is to prepare for the killing.

Tests always bring up to me the subject of cheating. It's a dread disease, and there seems to be no cure for it that is positively fool-proof. With some of us it is chronic, and with others, it merely crops out at intervals, but wherever it shows its ugly head there is trouble. The cause is known for copying and cheating, but the cure isn't known at all. In case any of you are wondering, cramming is not a method of immunization. With this fine and moral start, I think I should let this paragraph be the nucleus of a book called, 'Cheating—Cause and Cure,' but no book should ever cure it, it has to come from the individual, and be prevented by proper preparation previous to the examination. I suppose I had better stop before I am branded by some of our super-sophisticates who brag that they never crack a text. Well, all I can say to wise guys like that is that if they do pass the course or the examination honestly, they must have an intellect superior to that of a College student, and don't belong in this institution at all. Give 'em a Rhodes scholarship. I'm becoming bombastic, Nuff of that, until next week.

## Books in Review

MILLBROOK, Mrs. Della (Thompson) Lutes, decorations by Edward Shenton, Little, 1938, 330p., \$2.50.

Millbrook, the scene of this fictionized biography is a village in southern Michigan, in 1880's. Delly, the narrator, and her parents, had recently moved from their farm to the village, and this tale of personalities and the social life of a Michigan main street is told as it appeared to her sharp young eyes.

Margaret Wallace in the New York Times, December 11, 1938, reviews:

"Millbrook" is a heartwarming tale, well salted with humor not, however, the kind that can be picked out of its context and refined. The narrative is held together by a conventional thread of plot, but it is mainly as an authentic period piece that it deserves to be, and undoubtedly will be read and remembered.

A Appendix—portion of a book, which nobody yet has discovered of any use.

Average—something that lies layman.

B Blizzard—inside of a fowl.

C Compliment—when you say something to another which he and we know is not true.

F Faith—that quality which enables us to believe what we know is not true.

G Genius—an infinite capacity for picking brains.

H Heir—when anybody dies you get what is left.

Humorist—a writer who shows us the faults of human nature in such a way that we recognize our failings and smile and our neighbors and laugh.

I Involve—another name for the conscience.

L Longitude—east and west of the meridian.

M Momentum—what you give person when they are going away.

O Oboe—an American tramp.

P Polygon—dead parrot.

R Refugee—keeps order at football match.

S Skeleton—a man with his side cut out and his outside off.

T Transparent—something you can see through, like a keyhole.

V Virgin forest—a forest which the hand of man has not set foot.

W Warp—in a piece of material the part that goes north and south.

X Unknown quantity.

Y Yokel—way people talk to others in the alps.

Z last letter in the alphabet.

(\*Most of the definitions taken from The Boners Omnibus.)

## The Stroller . . .

As the sardine said when they put the lid on me, "I'm all in."

And that's the way the Stroller feels, too after trying to keep up with this year's streaming students. But the worst of it is after I do wear myself out, neglect my studies, and practically get nose broken while snooping for news, what happens? Some of the students body complains because the poor old Stroller missed a few choice morsels of news.

The Stroller, however, has thought of a way to prevent this catastrophe. From now on just inside the door of the press room will be a box labeled "Contributions for the Stroller." Anyone who knows more scandal than I do may help dropping their story in the box.

That was one thrillin' basketball game last week when we beat the Miners by one point. And "Peanuts" Hull goes not only the honor of making the winning bucket, but recognition for the best report of the week. Someone asked Peanuts if I wasn't surprised when he made that last shot. "Surprised, h—, I turned around to see what he threw it," replied Hull.

If you didn't go to the Barkatze-Peppers dance you missed one of the major entertainments of the year. No so far as the dance was concerned, but was worth the price of admission to see the Famous Hillbilly Trio give their version of the "Martins and the Coys."

Here's one on Glen and Hensley the cameramen. Glen, who is always eager to get a snapshot, made a trip to the Tower office during the Passion Play. Imagine his chagrin to find he had been thrown out of the ladies' dressing room.

The Phi Sigs barked back to their kindergarten days and staged a school days dance in the last Saturday night at the Country Club. The best costume at the dance was worn by Mary Lee Williams, the guest of Eddie Gickling. Those who know said she looked like a picture in the family album. The Stroller was a little mixed up though, when he saw Tom Boyd and Bob Mitchell come to the dance dressed as girls. Among the alumni who returned to the dance were Millie Weeda and "Spanky" Sloane who were present with Doris Hiles and Mary Turner, respectively. The alums attended the banquet which was held in the dining hall before the dance.

On the last Y. M. gospel team trip, it was reported that Erdley Beauchamp did his bit with prayer which was, in part, "Dear God, be with the speaker this morning for thou knowest they need thy help. And then we saw by last week's paper where the speakers were none other than our own news Virgil Elliott, and our editorial writer, William Evans.

Girls! Girls! Calling all girls! Here is your chance. Richard McDougal, the boy who drives two cars (one belongs to his pa,) is a free agent. He decides that he did not like high school girls. In case you want to know how his manners are, get in touch with Winnie Caton, who should know by then.

"When Irish Eyes are Smiling" seems to be the favorite theme song of Bill McCurdy.

It was feared by Delore Hunter that her name would appear in this column this week, and far it from me to put her name in print.

Students are supposed to sit on the west side of the gymnasium during a basketball game, so tell me. Why, Nyda Snyder, don't you just try once, since tonight is the final game of the season. After all, you have been sitting on the east side.

And of course we must mention that Fred Match, Ermin "Love" Bird and Ruth "To Morrow. Love thinks spring is here—Too well to tell me the difference.

And it's beginning to look like that woman of many men, Helen Vincent, and Bruno Breckinridge, man of many women, are joining forces in order to dish a few headaches out to a few people, including them.

Of course, another romance we couldn't miss is that of Kathleen Clark and tall blond and curly.

And I have finally discovered some of the ill-fated poems that the seniors composed at party some time back. Some of them indicate that it must have been some party or else someone wasn't behaving just right. These came off of the waste-basket:

When little boys will smile and wink,  
It shows they're pretty near the brink  
For little girls who are very pretty  
Make Caton wish he could chirp a ditty.

Watch us next week—we just received a shipment of new scoops.

## Helps to Hindered Humorists

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## Civic Floor Show to be Presented at 'M' Club Dance

### Athletes to Sponsor Annual Fair in Library Tonight

and a half of swing rhythm beat out by the Ambassadors of College dance orchestra, and a series of lively activities are promised at the annual "M" Club dance which will be held from 9 until midnight tonight in the West Library. It was announced this week. The "M" Club is the organization of athletes who have letters in some inter-collegiate sport.

A dance floor show will be presented for the entertainment of the members. Some of the selections included in the floor show will be the Moberly way of wrestling on, starring "Tubby" Hiett; a play in two minutes by "Sluggo" Hackett; "Lil" Carter and his motor boat; "The Century," with the "A" from Bethany Graham during the bout between Two Blue Turk Curtiss and the "Marvel" who has never won but once in his brilliant fight to be controlled by Sy Muddsy.

and Committees  
or show, according to the men, will be climaxed by a silver-tongued blues singer known as "The Dunker," a selection.

guests who have been invited to the dance are President and Mrs. Uel W. Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Jones and Mrs. H. R. Dietrich. As for the dance will be Mr. E. A. Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Stalcup and Mr. and Mrs. Milner.

are the committees pre-

pared for the dance: Program, Joe

at, chairman, John Green

Decorations, Ed

chairman, Bill Bernau

Max Mudd and Harry

and clean-up, Carl Wilhelm

Frank Baker, Harry Ir-

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Carter, Raymond Curtiss

and, Andrew Kruse and

Mr.

Held for  
Sigma Sigma  
Sorority Women

Mary Ellen Williams and David gave a St. Valentine's party for the actives and pledges of Sigma Sigma sorority at their first Tuesday evening.

were played throughout the after which refreshments

and

present were: Virginia Miller, Charlotte Perry, Margaret June Ernst, Mary Jane Leason Wilson, Margaret Jean Martin, Mary Madget, McGee, Betty McGee, Lois

Richards, Roberta Utter, Martha Sue Zimmerman, Mary Ruth Marie Burch, Elizabeth Wilson, Marjorie Powell, Dorrit, Helen Swindorf, Helen Hart, Betty Jayne Tarpley, Ethel Garrett, Olive Jo Saunders, and Clinkenbeard.

Three Pledged to  
Sigma Sigma Sigma

Alpha Epsilon chapter of Sigma Sigma Sigma sorority held its annual tea for about seventy-five rushees last Tuesday afternoon from three until five o'clock in room 305.

Miss Hettie M. Anthony and Beverly McGinness poured from three until four while Miss June Cozine and Lois Miller poured from four until five.

Piano music was played by Harriett Lasell and Mary Virginia Beck.

Agnes Kowitz was general chairman with Cleo Wilson, Geneva Harvey, Alice Alexander, Junetta Barnhouse, Jean Martine assisting.

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**ell Dowell to  
Under Green  
And White; Bears Have Tough Team**

By Charles Curry  
Missourian Sports Staff

The Maryville Bearcats, after dusting up the cellar of the Missouri Inter-collegiate Athletic Association basketball league, will move upstairs tonight in an attempt to oust Springfield from the penthouse. The first was played on Springfield's maple, and it was in that game that Maryville lost the loop lead. A win from the Ozark lads tonight will turn the tables neatly and the guests will have to grin and bear it.

The game tonight is Maryville's chance to show that she has a real ball club. She has no hope of capturing the league title for herself but it is in her power to make or break a champion. This game also decides her final standing in the M. I. A. A. A loss tonight may put her in the lower half of the league, the first time she has been there for several years. As the game is played at home, the Bearcats can beat Springfield. It is a safe bet that they are sharpening their claws to snatch rinktums from the Bears after the trimming Warrensburg gave these same Bruins last Friday night. If the local lads win, it should be a signal for every devout fan to step out and paint the old town vermilion. If they don't win—

**Final Contest**

This evening's fracas closes the season for the Bearcats. On the squad are two seniors, Dick Shroud, forward, and Russell Dowell, guard, who will be playing their last game under the Maryville colors of green and white. The final gun tonight will bring down the curtain on their College basketball careers, and other names will take their places on the College line-ups in the future.

Springfield has a tough team to beat. She showed up well in the Oklahoma City tournament and she has lost only one-conference game this year. That game was lost by four points when Warrensburg, defending champ, took her under the Mules' heels last week. Russel, center is the scoring ace of the Springfield crew. He is deadly on wheeling shots from the post and he plays a good floor game besides nicely smothering his man on the defense. The other boys are also good and they know it. Davis and Childress, forwards, and Flummerfelt and Baker, guards, will probably be the starters who will assist Russel.

**Probable Lineups**

It is hard to say what kind of a team Maryville has. The Bearcats play a brilliant brand of basketball at the start, build up a good lead, then fade in the twilight moments of each game. They have won or lost seven games by the margin of one point this year, and four of those games were against teams in the lower half of the conference standing. They seem to play the same class of ball that their opponents do. The poor teams push them as hard as the good teams do. They can win tonight if they can find some drive to tide them through the last few moments.

The Maryville starting line-up is hard to determine even for the coach. Coach Wilbur Stalcup has about seventeen men to choose a

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**HAROLD HUTCHESON**, who this past week loomed up as a new star on the Bearcat basketball team.

**Bearcats Win  
Over Miners in  
Over-time Period**

**Local Five Ekes  
Out 33-32 Win  
From Rolla Cagers**

The Rolla Miners were hot as firecrackers last Friday night after their one-sided defeat by the Kirksville Bulldogs the previous week, and forced the Bearcats into an overtime period before the Green and White emerged victorious over the stubborn Engineers, 33 to 32.

Coach Wilbur Stalcup tried a new lineup to open the game, starting Weary and Schottel at forward, Dowell and Hull at guard, and Hutcheson at center. Schottel opened the scoring with a long, lazy flip from the side, and Watts evened the count with a bucket for the Miners. Dowell hit a free toss and missed one. Wilson missed one for Rolla. Hull scored a lay in basket on a pass under the basket. Reeks made a free throw, and Johnson kept the pace with a charity toss for the Bearcats. At this stage Kamper, star Rolla forward, began his scoring spree with a short field goal. Rogers hit a long shot to put the Bearcats ahead.

Maryville will not be certain of third place until after February 28, when Cape and Rolla meet. If Cape wins its two remaining games and Maryville defeats Springfield, the 'Cats and the Indians will tie for the third position.

After all the "if's", "and's", and "when's" have been said, Springfield and Warrensburg will be battling for first place, Maryville and Cape Girardeau in a third place clinch, and Kirksville and Rolla in fifth and sixth place, respectively.

The present standings:

Team	W	L	Pct	Pts	OP
Springfield	7	1	.875	271	223
Warrensburg	6	1	.852	242	198
Maryville	5	4	.555	266	272
Cape Girardeau	4	4	.500	256	244
Kirksville	3	7	.300	278	308
Rolla	0	8	.000	213	272

shot by Kamper and basket by Niemiller. Johnson connected with one out of two free throws and a field goal, and Hackett counted with another bucket. Kamper and Wilson each sank a charity toss. Hackett added a pair and Hull dropped in one. Kamper drilled in a long shot and a free throw. Wilson missed a free throw and Kamper tipped in a basket, putting the Miners only one point behind. Hull and Rogers counted free shots and Kamper added another long shot to his fast growing total. Hull scored a tip-in. Wilson made a free throw. Shroud missed one, and Wilson missed two. Goslee hit a free toss, and Niemiller drove in fast to score a set up. Goslee slapped in a basket and Niemiller counted a free throw. With fifteen seconds to go, Niemiller stole the ball from Hull and passed to Kamper who tied the score with his sixth bucket. The Bearcats threw the ball in but Rogers' long shot as the gun sounded failed to connect.

sed their 53rd birthday. Fisheries marketing agent, \$2,300 a year, assistant fisheries marketing agent, \$1,800 a year, Bureau of Fisheries, Commerce Department, Applicants must not have passed their 40th birthday.

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